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For: THRUST NEEDLE ROLLER BEARING, SUPPORT STRUCTURE RECEIVING THRUST LOAD OF COMPRESSOR FOR CAR AIR-CONDITIONER, SUPPORT STRUCTURE RECEIVING THRUST LOAD OF AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION, SUPPORT STRUCTURE FOR NONSTEP VARIABLE SPEED GEAR, AND SUPPORT STRUCTURE RECEIVING THRUST LOAD OF MANUAL TRANSMISSION

**REQUEST FOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRIORITY CLAIM**

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Sir:

We are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance dated June 5, 2009.

In reviewing the file, it is noted that we have not received acknowledgement of the Foreign Priority Claims: JAPAN 2004-040085 02/17/2004, JAPAN 2004-040031 02/17/2004 and JAPAN 2004-004355 01/09/2004. The certified priority documents were filed in the International Bureau of the PCT in PCT/JP2004/019017 on December 20, 2004 as evidenced by the enclosed copy of Declaration, which was filed along with the application on July 7, 2006.

It is respectfully requested the priority claim be acknowledged.

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